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1ST NIGHT LEAD RABORN (A40N)

JOHNSON CITY, TEX., APRIL 11 (UPI)--PRESIDENT JOHNSON TODAY NAMED ADM. WILLIAM F. RABORN, (RET.) THE DEVELOPER OF THE POLARIS MISSILE, TO SUCCEED JOHN A. MCCONE AS DIRECTOR OF THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (CIA).

RICHARD MCGARRAH HELMS (CQ), A VETERAN OF THE CIA AND FORMER NEWSMAN, WAS NAMED SECOND IN COMMAND.

RABORN, 60, AND A NATIVE OF DECATUR, TEX., IS NOW VICE PRESIDENT FOR PROJECT MANAGEMENT OF THE AEROJET GENERAL CORP. AT PASADENA, CALIF.

JOHNSON UNEXPECTEDLY ANNOUNCED THE APPOINTMENT TO NEWSMEN WITH RABORN PRESENT AFTER SIGNING INTO LAW THE \$1.5 BILLION AID TO EDUCATION BILL AT THE PRESIDENT'S OLD COUNTRY SCHOOL HOUSE NEAR HIS TEXAS RANCH.

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE AT THE SAME TIME SAID HE WAS APPOINTING HELMS, NOW CIA DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR PLANS, AS DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE AGENCY, AND THUS NO. 2 MAN TO RABORN.

HELMS, 52, WAS ALSO PRESIDENT WHEN JOHNSON MADE THE ANNOUNCEMENT.

RABORN RETIRED FROM THE NAVY AS A VICE-ADMIRAL A YEAR AND A HALF AGO. HE WAS THEN DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH ON THE STAFF OF THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS.

RABORN WHO WAS A NAVAL AVIATOR IN WORLD WAR II AND A COMMAND OFFICER.

HE WAS AWARDED THE SILVER STAR IN APRIL, 1945, FOR "CONSPICIOUS GALLANTRY" AS EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE USS HANCOCK.

FOR HIS ROLE IN DEVELOPING THE POLARIS MISSILE SYSTEM, RABORN RECEIVED THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL. HE WORKED ON THE POLARIS WHILE HE WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR DEVELOPING THE FLEET BALLISTIC MISSILE SYSTEM.

RABORN WAS BORN AT DECATUR, TEX. JUNE 8, 1905. HE IS MARRIED TO THE FORMER MILDRED T. TERRELL, AND THEY HAVE TWO CHILDREN.

HELMS WAS A CORRESPONDENT FOR UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL FROM 1935-1937 AND NATIONAL ADVERTISING MANAGER OF THE INDIANAPOLIS TIMES FROM 1937-1942. HE WENT WITH THE CIA IN LATE 1946. HE SUCCEEDS LT. GEN. MARSHALL CARTER, WHO RETURNS TO THE PENTAGON FOR REASSIGNMENT.

(PICKUP 7TH PGH: JOHNSON SAID)

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